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MEETING MINUTES¹

Meeting Date: October 25, 2005
Meeting Time: 10:00 A.M.
Meeting Place: State House, 200 W. Washington St.,
Room 431
Meeting City: Indianapolis, Indiana
Meeting Number: 4

Members Present: Sen. Thomas Wyss, Chairperson; Sen. Brandt Hershman; Sen. Ron Alting; Rep. William Ruppel, Vice-Chairperson; Rep. Cindy Noe; Rep. Jackie Walorski; Rep. Vern Tincher.

Members Absent: Sen. Timothy Lanane; Sen. Sam Smith; Sen. Timothy Skinner; Rep. John Aguilera; Rep. Scott Reske.

I. Call to Order.

Senator Thomas Wyss, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:15 A.M.

II. Pay Matrices for Public Safety Officials.

The Chairman opened the floor for Committee discussion on a possible pay matrix for public safety officials. He emphasized that this discussion would not involve any actual dollar amounts, but rather would be centered on a structure for a pay matrix that could be used to determine future salary increases for fire investigators and Capitol Police.

Representative William Ruppel suggested that the State Police pay matrix be used as a

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starting point for a possible structure for the fire investigators and Capitol Police.

Representative Vern Tinchler agreed and added that he felt a pay matrix would help attract more experienced and talented officers.

Mark Carnell of the Indiana State Police (ISP) testified that the ISP was not opposed to a pay matrix for these groups, but the ISP was concerned with the fiscal impact.

The Chairman moved that the Committee recommend that a ten-year salary matrix be created for the Capitol Police in accordance with the current ISP pay matrix. The motion also included that Capitol Police officers be classified as police personnel instead of civilian personnel in the state personnel manual. The motion was seconded and the recommendation was adopted by voice vote.

The Chairman then moved that the Committee recommend that the Director of the Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) review the fire investigators' current salary scale and develop a plan to address salary increases and concerns. The motion was seconded and adopted by voice vote.

III. Other Business and Adoption of Final Report.

The Boxing Commission testified on what options the Committee had in addressing the regulation of "toughman" contests.

The Chairman moved that the Committee recommend that legislation be introduced to delete the references to "semi-professional elimination contests" in statute, making it clear that the state does not regulate toughman-type contests. The motion also included that toughman-type contests be banned. The motion was seconded and adopted by voice vote.

Representative Jackie Walorski presented Preliminary Draft (PD) 3386 (Exhibit 1) to the Committee and asked that it be considered for recommendation.

The Chairman moved that the Committee recommend PD 3386 regarding disclosure of security breaches to the General Assembly. The motion was seconded and adopted by voice vote.

Michael Barnhart, Legislative Liaison for the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, explained PD 3390 to the Committee. He said that this PD contained the initial and conforming changes to Indiana statute in response to the passage of the federal "Real I.D." Act.

Representative Cindy Noe expressed concern that expiration of a temporary ID issued to non-citizens was not concurrent with the expiration of the temporary documents allowing these non-citizens to stay in the country. She asked the Committee to consider amending PD 3390 to require these expiration dates to be concurrent.

The Chairman moved to amend, and it was adopted by voice vote. The Chairman next moved that PD 3390, as amended (Exhibit 2), be presented by the Committee to the General Assembly as a preliminary recommendation for changes to conform to the requirements of the "Real I.D." Act. The motion was seconded and adopted by voice vote.

Representative Ruppel asked that the Committee members examine the problems that local governments are having with trying to pay for ambulance services.

The Chairman moved for adoption of the Committee's final report, which would include the recommendations adopted today. The motion was seconded, and the final report was adopted, 7 to 0, by a roll call vote.

IV. Adjournment.

The Chairman adjourned the Committee at 11:35 A.M.